



1FW 1634
Attorney's Docket No.: 15934-002001

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Kuniaki Nagayama
Serial No. : 09/992,538
Filed : November 19, 2001
Title : METHOD OF DETERMINING BASE SEQUENCE OF DNA OR RNA AND
DNA SEQUENCER

Art Unit : 1634
Examiner : Bradley L. Sisson

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

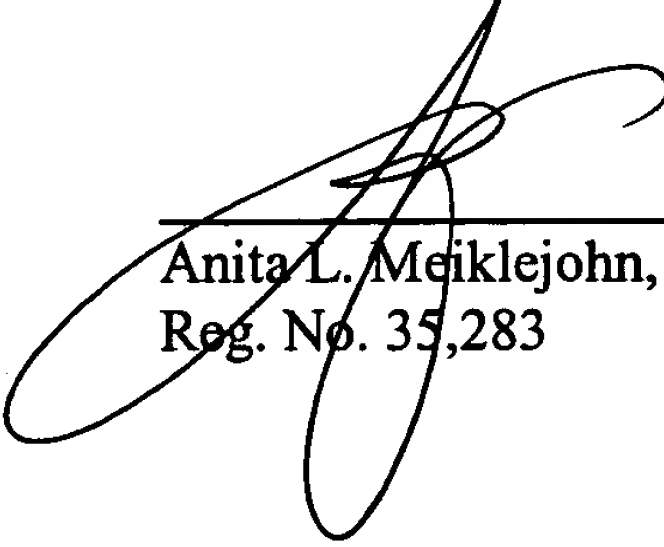
PETITION FOR THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136, applicant hereby petitions that the period for response to the action dated November 16, 2004, be extended for three months to and including May 16, 2005.

A continuation application is being filed concurrently with this petition. Enclosed is a check for \$510 for the required fee. Please apply any other charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 06-1050.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: 16 MAY 2005


Anita L. Meiklejohn, Ph.D.
Reg. No. 35,283

Fish & Richardson P.C.
225 Franklin St.
Boston, MA 02110
Telephone: (617) 542-5070
Facsimile: (617) 542-8906

21088057.doc

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING BY FIRST CLASS MAIL

I hereby certify under 37 CFR §1.8(a) that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail with sufficient postage on the date indicated below and is addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

May 16, 2005
Date of Deposit

Carrie A. Amonte
Signature

Carrie A. Amonte
Typed or Printed Name of Person Signing Certificate

05/19/2005 HMARZ11 00000028 09992538

01 FC:2253

510.00 OP